



Michael Tomenga

Local debater in national competition

PORT BYRON — Michael Tomenga of Port Byron Central will be one of three contestants representing the Syracuse-Ontario District in the National Forensic Championship Tournament. The competition will be held May 14-17 in Washington, D. C. with meetings at the Washington Hilton Hotel and at Georgetown University.

Michael is a sophomore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Tomenga of Port Byron, and the first Cayuga County student to reach National competition.

Contestants for the National competition were named as the result of winning places in the meet of the Syracuse Division of the Catholic Forensic League Finals at Bishop Ludden High School in Syracuse Saturday, April 19th. Port Byron Central was the only public school participating.

Port Byron students attending on Saturday included Linda Mills, entered in the Interpretive Reading category; James Clifford and David Kalet in Original Oratory; and Michael Tomenga and Robert Kalet in Boys' Extemporaneous speaking.

Weedsport drama students attend play productions

WEEDSPORT — The Drama Workshop of Weedsport Central School hit the road last week — but as audience rather than players.

Wednesday afternoon the cast of the workshop's latest production went to the Syracuse Repertory Theater production of Christopher Fry's "The Lady's Not for Burning." Attending were Rosemarie Bowden, Ginny Ball, Judy Barron, Carol White, Debbie Mott, Bruce Fowler, Tom Bibbent, Richard Cowell, Allan Ward, Roger Hazzard, and Brenda Hazzard. They were accompanied by their director, Miss Eula Lamphere, and school bus driver, Mr. Joseph Ostrowski.

The SRT has a special program for high school students who attend special matinee or evening productions at reduced rates. On Friday, three of the senior high members of the workshop attended the tenth annual Oswego Drama Festival at the State University College. This was the first time the group has attended the Oswego Festival — although it has attended and performed at the Cortland Festival in past years.

Following a morning of program of four presentations by high school drama groups, including Edward Albee's "Our American Cousin" by Central High of Auburn, the young people attended the theater facilities of the college.

Oswego College's Charlotte Waterman Theatre, completed last year, offers the most advanced facilities of any campus theater in New York. Designed by the same architect as the Vivian Beaumont Theater at the Lincoln Center in New York, the Oswego theater offers a stage depth of 60 feet, a proscenium which can be raised or lowered, a segmented stage floor to accommodate any staging requirement including a swimming pool, and scenery fly space, double its stage height, at about every 6 inches of its depth.

Musicals and plays can be staged there without scene change delays.

Costuming demonstrations, adjudication of the morning

School Menu

Monday: Juice, barbecued beef on a bun, carrots, peach short cake; Tuesday: Juice, hamburger on a bun, potato chips, cabbage salad, chiffon pie; Wednesday: Spanish rice, yellow beans, bread and butter, fruit; Thursday: oven-fried chicken, peas, mashed potatoes with butter, pan rolls, sherbet; Friday: fish fry on a bun, green beans, macaroni salad, chocolate cake.

Beaver rodent
With the exception of the capybara of South America, the beaver is the largest rodent in the world.

Recreation program set up for Weedsport school children

WEEDSPORT — Judging from parking lot activity Saturday noons for the past month, observers might wonder if Weedsport Central School has gone to Saturday sessions.

Actually 222 elementary school children have been enjoying the use of the high school's physical education facilities in a special Saturday morning program sponsored by the Weedsport Recreation Commission.

The youngsters, all from grades 3 through 6, were enrolled by their parents to participate in the first program of its kind to be conducted in the school district.

Using the high school's huge gymnasium, mat room and the William F. Lampman Swimming Pool, they are developing coordination and action skills by swimming, walking "planies", climbing ropes, hurdling obstructions, swinging hand over hand, — in short, participating in many of the activities their parents used to be able to explore in wood and field or by creek or river bank; activities no longer available or individually safe to pursue in today's more crowded and structured society.

Enrollment in the new program was limited to boys and girls in grades 3 through 6 due to the cost and limitation of facilities available. The program is under the direction of Mr. Gary Lister, Physical Education teacher at the elementary school. He is assisted by Mr. Gary Griffen, Pool Director.

Seventeen high school boys and girls selected because of school citizenship, leadership qualities and an expressed desire to work with young children make up the instructional staff.

A special curriculum has been developed for the program to provide participants with wholesome activity in many of the "life-time" sports, with instruction in the knowledge, skills and strategy of each activity. The activities making up the curriculum are taught as units. This allows flexibility within the program as units can

presentations, awards and discussion of staging techniques completed the formal program for the day.

The sponsoring college groups, Alpha Psi Omega and Blackfriars Guild provided guides for every visiting group and arranged for special lunch service and a buffet supper for the high school visitors.

The festival concluded with the highly successful presentation of "Our American Cousin" by the Oswego Blackfriars. The play is the same presented at Ford Theater the night Lincoln was shot.

The Blackfriars' production was a highly stylized, delightful comedy. It received a standing ovation to the bravo from its teen-aged audience.

Students attending from Weedsport were Richard Cowell, Brenda and Roger Hazzard.

Honor roll at Mount Carmel

MOUNT CARMEL — The honor roll system at Mount Carmel is an incentive encouraging students to keep their grades up throughout the school year. Daily classwork, quizzes, projects and quarterly test marks are averaged together to determine the report card marks for each quarter.

Those students who have attained a 90 or above average — with no mark less than 85 — are listed on the certificate of excellence posted in the main hall. Those who have maintained an 85 average or better, with no marks lower than eighty, are listed on the honor roll.

The marks from the third quarter at Carmel show that the school records of the following students deserve a cademic recognition.

Certificates of Excellence
Freshmen: B. Mierzwa, B. Jurczak, M. Masley, Y. Sanford, J. Yura, M. Wawrzyszczak, C. Webster, G. Burkhardt, M. Mastropietro, A. Czasko, A. DeSocio, P. McCane, F. Donnelly, M. Yaworsky, S. Peduto, P. Hodson, K. Hooy, K. Drshelm, M. O'Hara, T. Pils, M. Trojick.

Sophomores: M. Gleason, M. Kahl, C. King, M. Hemlingway, K. Bergan, D. Wildner, D. Loveland, C. Doley, N. Lisano, T. Brewer, K. Bayus, J. Petronino, W. Kovalasckas, F. Conley, P. Bartory, R. Rusniko, J. Techman, M. Brown, M. Connor.

Juniors: E. Jurczak, R. Coleman, C. Secaur, L. Tarlton, R. Rusniko, M. Magee, S. Hemlingway, G. Shas, C. Costello, M. Sidor, R. Komrowski, R. Nangal, L. Walton, M. Hodson.

Seniors: N. Wright, A. Szywiak, K. Mierzwa, S. Howard, B. Mryglot, A. Mierzwa, S. O'Hara, T. Filiak, W. Fraczek, M. Millilo.

Certificates of Honor
Freshman: K. Czechowicz, E. Gungor, J. Mazycko, M. Kohler, L. Clifford, M. Sincropl, L. Lisano, C. Marangola, K.

be expanded or abbreviated depending on the needs of the participants and their development.

The enrolled youngsters are divided into four groups. The morning sessions covering the hours from 9 a.m. to noon, are likewise broken into four 45 minute periods, enabling each group to participate in the activity at each of four teaching stations. The teaching of basic skills to help the non-swimmer or beginner acquire confidence and the ability to maintain himself in the water is a continuous and progressing unit at every session. Intermediate and advanced swimmers are now learning the breaststroke.

Units in basketball, gymnastics and tumbling, advanced apparatus and trampolines just terminated. During the next weeks boys will be participating in wrestling, softball, and soccer while girls will be busy with free exercise, field hockey, and soccer. Archery, badminton and volleyball will be introduced in May.

McCoski girls both honored at conference

WEEDSPORT — The Bernard McCoski family was twice honored at the District 10 Student Government Convention meeting at Weedsport Central School this past weekend.

Daughter Gloria, a junior at Weedsport Central School was nominated and elected to the District 10 office of Secretary. She comes to the position with experience as class secretary and Secretary to the Weedsport Central Student Government.

Daughter Susan, a senior at Weedsport Central, was selected by the Weedsport students as their candidate for the District's Citizenship Award. In turn, her teachers wrote recommendations for Susan as to her qualifications for the award.

District 10, which includes schools in Oswego, Onondaga and Cayuga Counties, offers awards each year in the areas of scholarship, citizenship and leadership. Competition is extremely keen as every member school may nominate students for each award. This year the District Award Committee selected Susan McCoski as the student most closely exemplifying its ideal of citizenship: "In his operation, loyalty, dedication and responsibility."

Susan is the first Weedsport student to be so honored by District 10. She is a varsity cheerleader, member of the Honor Society, Editor of her class yearbook, for two years Vice-President of her class, and was selected by her classmates as the one who "does most for the class."

After graduation Susan plans to attend the State University College at Potsdam, majoring in secondary education.

Class visits Albany

PORT BYRON — Port Byron Central seventh graders took a trip to Albany recently and toured the Capital area thru arrangements made by Assemblyman George Michaels.

They were accompanied by Richard Locastro, Lewis Thompson and Mrs. Evelyn Hornburg, Port Byron teachers, and Mrs. Joanne Corrigan, teacher aide. The students visited the State Education building and Capital building.

Sewing project

WEST HIGH — The eighth grade girls are now sewing in their Home Economics Class. The girls have selected their patterns and their choice of material, and are sewing their dresses step by step. Mrs. Mary Richardson and Mrs. Lucy Coughenour are advising the girls.



Present Albee play

The cast of the Central High School drama club production of Edward Albee's "The American Dream," presented last week at Oswego State College, includes, from left, Lynnann Colvin, Carl Harris, Cheryl Coleman and Chris Byrne.

Central High actors present play at Oswego

By AL CRISTINA
CENTRAL HIGH — Last Friday the Drama Club of Central High School attended the 10th annual drama festival at Oswego State College. The club presented the one act play, "The American Dream" written by Edward Albee.

During the morning session of the festival, there were three other plays presented. They were "The Long Christmas Dinner" by Thornton Wilder, presented by Vernon-Sheriff Junior-Senior High School; "The Brick in the Rose" by Lewis Carroll, presented by Whitesboro Senior High School; and "The Sandbox" by Edward Albee, presented by C. W. Baker High School of Baldwinsville.

After the plays were performed, Mrs. Francis Marian Brown, director of Community Theater, read her critique on the four plays.

The Black Friars, Oswego's drama students, gave all in-

terested visiting students a tour of the theater and its workshops. Later in the afternoon the students of the combined high school had dinner and danced or listened to the college band.

In the evening all participating high schools were highly entertained as they watched the college melodrama "Our American Cousin" presented by the Black Friars.

The students who represented Central High School in the Albee play were Cheryl Coleman, Mommy, Carl Harris, Daddy; Donna Colvin, Grandma; Lynnann Leone, Mrs. Barker; and Chris Byrne, as the American Dream. Others present were Glen Bucien and Nancy Townsend, stage managers; Tim Bennett and Al Christina, stage crew. The play was directed by Mr. Glenn Schuckers, teacher of Dramatics at Central High School.



Sam Giangreco



Mary Pat Walsh

Giangreco, Walsh honored at Carmel

By DAVID GEBNAK and LOUISE D'AGOSTINO
MOUNT CARMEL — Sam Giangreco and Mary Pat Walsh can oftentimes come in quite handy.

Sam doesn't always have his feet on the ground, though. He is a member of the Carmel school dance team. Presently he is taking flying a private license.

Sam has also given a hand in the campaigning during the recent elections. It was partially through his intervention that a school dance, He enjoys listening to records and has from time to time, tried his own hand at writing poems and even some short stories.

Sam's creative ideas have not solely been directed towards poems and stories. During the past two years he has been a member of the Pep Rally Committee, using some of his ideas to help incite enthusiasm into the Carmel student body. He has also been on the Prom committee for the Sophomore, Junior and Senior Proms, always contributing fresh ideas.

For this year's senior play, Sam was co-chairman of the costume committee.

Sports have also played a large role in Sam's high school career. As a freshman, he was a member of that year's basketball team. Since that time, Sam has only been able to find time for intramural sports, though he has been active in all three of Carmel's intramural programs — basketball, softball, and volleyball — and has always been a great asset to his team. Also under the category of sports, comes Sam's interest in Judo.

Painting and carpentry are also some of Sam's hobbies, and helpful ones too since he enjoys both camping and boating, they

Student power reigns

By PETER FEDORCHUK
CENTRAL HIGH — Perhaps excessive power in the hands of the young is dangerous, but Central High's teachers were willing to gamble as "Student-Teacher Day" was held on April 17. Throughout the day, a number of students, each properly attired took the helm of the classrooms and literally "went to the head of the class."

According to the rules, students were chosen a day in advance, and would be obligated to teach the class relative to the subject matter.

If at the end of the day it could not be regarded as an experience, it was at least amusing to hear teachers being called by their first names. Fortunately, there were no mishaps and, above all, the teachers were exceedingly cooperative, being unwilling only to the forfeit of their lounge.

The smooth results of the operation should be awarded to the following due to their constant efforts for the duration of the seven hour day.

Joe Kozlowski replaced Mr. Millard Harter as principal and Dave Sargent took control from Mr. Michael Picciano as vice-principal. Sue Taylor substituted for Mrs. Lowenstein in junior high guidance and Grez Latimore represented senior high guidance for Mr. Pellegrino.

Who can say that the teacher aspirants did not do an essentially good job, for "from the mouths of babes"...

Top pupils announced at Port Byron

PORT BYRON — Dana L. West, Port Byron Central School senior high principal, announced the names and ranks of top honor students in the Class of 1969 at a student assembly on Friday, April 18.

Katherine Lincoln, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lincoln of R.D. 2, Port Byron, was named valedictorian with a scholastic average at three and one-half years of 99.71. Katherine is a member of the National Honor Society and is active in Future Teachers. She plans to attend the State University at Oswego and become a teacher.

Ronald Casselman, son of Mrs. Barbara Pullen of R.D. 4, Port Byron, with a scholastic average of 93.66, ranks second in the senior class and will be salutatorian. Ronald is a member of the National Honor Society. He plans to attend college and study architecture.

Top Ten honors went also to Marianne Neal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Seward Neal of Pine Street, Port Byron; Robert Kalet son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Kalet of R.D. 1, Port Byron; Mary Hansen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hansen of R.D. 1, Cayuga; Kathleen Fraher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fraher, of R.D. 1, Cayuga; Linda Mills, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Mills of R.D. 5, Auburn; Christy Stillwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stillwell of R.D. 2, Port Byron; Arden Jetty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Jetty of Main Street, Port Byron; and Robert Wilczek, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilczek of R.D. 5, Auburn.

NYSE&G officials talk at East High

By RUTH SILVERMAN
EAST HIGH — Mr. Hugh J. Wilcockson and Mr. Richard L. Besley of the New York State Electric and Gas Corp. spoke to juniors and seniors at East High April 17 concerning employment opportunities in various engineering capacities.

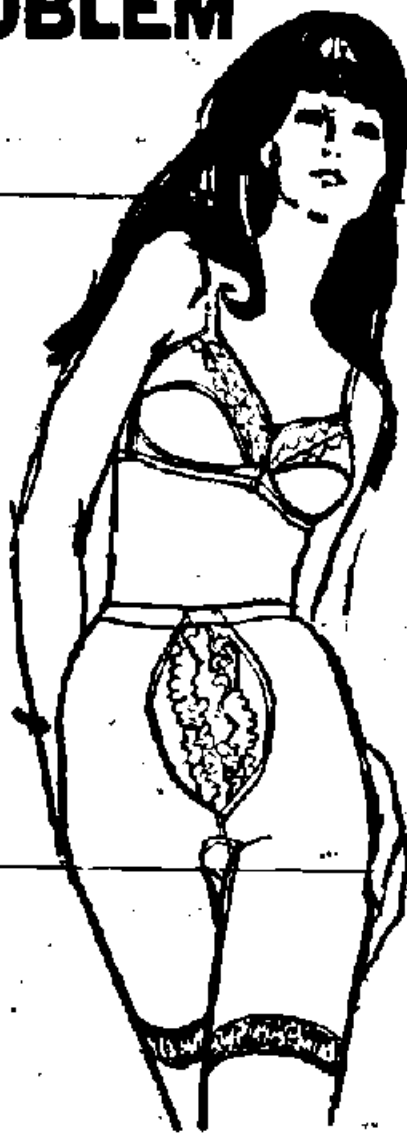
Mr. Wilcockson, district personnel director, discussed employment aspects and the need for engineers in capacities such as electrical engineering, engineering assistants, field planners, chemical engineering, mechanical engineering, and industrial engineering. The starting salary for a job holder with a AAS EE degree is \$7,300 to \$10,500.

He also stressed the point that sophisticated equipment needs highly skilled technicians, and without the necessary education this is highly difficult.

Mr. Besley, resident engineer, described each of the job roles of various engineers and how each is involved in various aspects of work such as a electrical transmission, substation design, mass underground distribution systems, load forecasting and analysis. He briefly mentioned inter-agency (federal, public) and service commission control of public utilities.

Mr. Besley also gave a brief analysis of the cause of the 1966 black-out which hit the north-eastern United States several years ago.

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